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SUBJ: EDITORIAL COMMENT, UN RESOLUTIONS ON PLO

1. NATIONALIST, INFLUENTIAL EXCELSIOR ON NOVEMBER 25 EDITORIALIZES ON RECENT UN RESOLUTIONS ON THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION UNDER THE HEADING "U.N. RISK". THE WRITER IS CRITICAL OF THE RESOLUTIONS WHICH HE FEELS IGNORE THE REAL CONTEXT IN WHICH THE RESOLUTIONS MIGHT HAVE EFFECT. NO ONE DENIES THAT THE PALESTINIANS "HAVE A RIGHT TO A NATIONAL HOME" BUT THE FACT CANNOT BE IGNOERED THAT PALESTINIAN AND ISRAELI INTERESTS ARE CONTRADICTORY. THE PLO, THE EDITORIAL CONTINUES, IS NOT A GOVERNMENT IN EXILE "AND IF INTERNATIONAL LAW IS TO ACCEPT THE IMPERATIVES OF REALITY AND NOT BE FROZEN INTO OUTWORN FORMULAS, IT MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT GRADATIONS IN REPRESENTATIVITY OF POLITICAL ORGANS WHICH HAVE NO PRECISE JURIDICAL STATUS." THE EDITORIAL POINTS OUT THE GRAVE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE UN SHOULD IT IGNORE THE LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF ISRAEL.

2. COMMENT: EXCELSIOR'S VIEWS TEND TO HAVE CONSIDER-
ABLE EFFECT UPON GOM POSITIONS.

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